

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Toshimasa KUMAKI, et al.

Group Art Unit: 1793

Application No. 10/587,656

Examiner: Roe, Jessee Randall

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For: FE BASE ALLOY HAVING LAYER AND METHOD FOR PRODUCTION

THEREOF

SUBMISSION ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 22, 2009, and subsequent Advisory Action dated July 27, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Amendments to the claims are submitted beginning on page 2.

Remarks are submitted beginning on page 10.